

Location: Rockport Town Hall, Meeting Room A

Present: Larry Neal/Chairman, Rob Claypool, Alan MacMillan, MaryAnn Lash, David McKinnon, Mel Michaels/Associate Member, Andrea Nichols/ Secretary, Geralyn Falco/Conservation Agent. The Rockport Conservation Commission (RCC) is a five member volunteer board. Five voting members are present.

Stewardship

- Agent Falco reports aluminum posts have been installed at Waring Field; has called farmer with no answer; will investigate further.
- Kiosks for Waring Field and Pine Pit to be ordered.

Minutes.

10/07/15: Mr. MacMillan moves to approve minutes as written; Mrs. Lash seconds. Vote 5:0.

New Hearings

Amendment to OC (DEP 62-0688), Andrew MacDowell, 54 Marmion Way (Map 26/Lot 90A). *Keep shed & construct stone retaining wall within 100' of coastal bank & within land subject to coastal storm flowage.* Michael DeRosa (DeRosa Environmental Consulting, Inc.) is present for applicant and makes presentation; applicant requests two (2) amendments: 1) retain shed & 2) construct retaining wall. SHED: OC allows for removal; shed is on ledge so no increased runoff if it remains; no impacts to nearby wetlands. RETAINING WALL: already constructed; FEMA Flood elevation at time OC issued was 13 (2012), that has changed to elevation 22 (2014). MITIGATION: detailed planting plan with native plants (included in Amendment request). RCC concerns: was shed removal part of mitigation? (No, it is on ledge); retaining walls in flood zones not generally approved; DPW generally has concerns of scouring roadway at toe of walls; wave waters to be deflected off wall. RCC suggests that applicant speak with DPW (regarding lot line and scour issues); suggests tapering wall and/or putting boulders/plants in front of it. Chairman Neal moves to extend the hearing to November 18, 2015. Mr. MacMillan seconds. Vote 5:0. The hearing is continued. **The digital voice recording of this hearing will be retained until all appeal periods have passed and all appeals resolved.**

Other Business

- Commission's Charter (for Website) – website is up and running; RCC suggests inserting dates for WPA and Regulations.
- Other Business/Announcements: - Chairman Neal moves to add discussion of 2016 meeting dates to agenda; Mr. McKinnon seconds. Unanimous affirmative roll call: Mr. MacMillan, Mr. Claypool, Mrs. Lash, Mr. McKinnon, Chairman Neal.
 - **2016 Meeting Dates** - Chairman Neal moves to approve meeting dates for 2016; Mr. McKinnon seconds. Vote 5:0.

Chairman Neal moves to adjourn meeting; Mr. MacMillan seconds. Vote 5:0.

8:23 PM

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